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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 3, 4, and 5 to be in the form as follows.

A marked up copy of the claims is included in an appendix following this amendment for the Examiners convenience.

3. A discharge lamp (10) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the capsule (20) is made of glass and in that the discharge lamp comprises a metal strip (21), which is soldered onto an electrode (12) and adapted to grip the capsule.

4. A discharge lamp (10) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the capsule (30) is made of metal and is soldered onto an electrode (12).

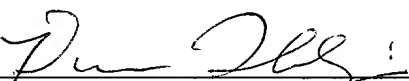
5. A discharge lamp (10) as claimed in claim 1,
characterized in that the capsule is embedded into the closed
pumping tube (23).

REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment to the claims was made solely to avoid filing the claims in the multiple dependant form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.

The claims were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicant respectfully reserves all rights he may have under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Applicant furthermore reserves his right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX A
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3. A discharge lamp (10) as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterized in that the capsule (20) is made of glass and in that the discharge lamp comprises a metal strip (21), which is soldered onto an electrode (12) and adapted to grip the capsule.

4. A discharge lamp (10) as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterized in that the capsule (30) is made of metal and is soldered onto an electrode (12).

5. A discharge lamp (10) as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterized in that the capsule is embedded into the closed pumping tube (23).

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